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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

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	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Gregory C. Issing	3662	

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 25 March 2005.

2a) This action is **FINAL**. 2b) This action is non-final.

3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

4) Claim(s) 1-22 is/are pending in the application.
4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.

5) Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.

6) Claim(s) 1-22 is/are rejected.

7) Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.

8) Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.

10) The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.

Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).

Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).

11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) All b) Some * c) None of:
1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date
4) Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. ____ .
5) Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6) Other: ____ .

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1. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

2. Claims 1-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention..

In claim 1, lines 5-7 are not understood. The method attempts to select a reference point in the vicinity of the communication device and use the position of the reference point as a default position. Thus, it is unclear what the step of using the reference point(s) to predict a pseudorange between the communication device and a satellite is used for in such determination. It is unclear how the pseudorange is predicted and it is unclear why it is predicted particularly in light of the fact that the following steps attempt to select a closest reference point and to subsequently use the position of the closest reference point. There is no way that a pseudorange between the communication device and a satellite can be determined merely from position data of one or more reference points stored in a database, particularly when the reference point closest to the device has yet to be determined. This problem exists in claims 11 and 21 as well.

3. The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

4. Claims 1-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The claim(s) contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention.

5. The claim language "using the one or more reference points to predict a pseudorange between the wireless communication device and a satellite of a positioning system" is not disclosed

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in the specification as originally filed. The applicants have not provided any evidence showing the basis of the claim language in the original specification. This is particularly true in light of the fact that it is not clear how the prediction of a pseudorange is attained when in fact the last step of the claim sets forth the determination of position data of a reference point as a default location. The applicants citation of where pseudoranges are discussed in the specification (p. 4, lines 9-17, p. 6, lines 16+, p. 24, lines 8-25, Eq. 1 and Eq. 6) does not provide any basis for the claim language. Applicants' argument that the pseudoranges can be used to evaluate which reference point is located in the vicinity of the device is not shown by the specification as originally disclosed.

6. The text of those sections of Title 35, U.S. Code not included in this action can be found in a prior Office action.

7. Claims 1-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Bloebaum et al. Bloebaum et al disclose a method and system for positioning a wireless communication device (mobile 110 in Figure 1 or 200 in Figure 2) comprising storing in a database (210 when on-board the mobile and 210a when located at server) a correlation between cell base station identity information and cell base station position information. The method includes examining the information in the database to determine which of the base stations is closest to the mobile communication device, wherein the base stations correspond to the claimed reference points. In the case wherein the database is stored at the server, the position information corresponding to the identity of the cell base station with which the mobile is communication is retrieved and transmitted to the mobile which subsequently uses the cell base station position information as a default position in the acquisition of GPS signals which are then used to determine pseudoranges and hence a more accurate determination of position.

Applicants argue that Bloebaum et al fails to suggest using one or more reference points to predict a pseudorange between the wireless communication device and a satellite. This argument is not convincing for the following reasons. Firstly, the claim language is not understood as set forth

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above and is indefinite. Secondly, the applicants' have not shown specifically wherein the specification where the language finds support. Thirdly, Bloebaum et al do utilize the position of the base station as a default position in order to acquire GPS signals for the purpose of subsequently determining position in the conventional manner, which is the calculation of pseudoranges between the device and a plurality of satellites.

8. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

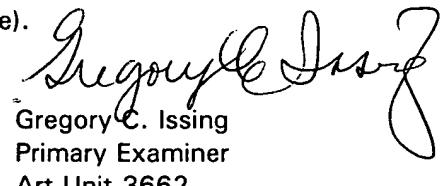
A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Gregory C. Issing whose telephone number is (571)-272-6973. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Thursday 6:00 AM- 4:30 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Thomas Tarca can be reached on (571)-272-6979. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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